ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN

AND

Superintending School Committee,

FOR THE

TOWN OF SCARBOROUGH.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1871.

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1871.

REPORT.

Notes.	Amount.	Notes.	Amount.	Notes.	Amount.	Notes.	Amount.
15	$479 89	170	500 00	227	300 00	280	112 50
16	219 10	171	676 23	229	600 00	281	100 00
17	248 30	179	1000 00	230	100 00	282	100 00
23	349 86	180	200 00	231	400 00	283	150 00
30	200 00	181	100 00	239	1000 00	284	200 00
31	200 00	183	600 00	240	500 00	285	175 00
32	300 00	185	250 00	243	900 00	286	1250 00
39	259 43	186	200 00	244	411 82	289	800 00
40	259 44	187	250 00	245	78 00	290	500 00
43	300 00	192	474 25	246	90 00	291	100 00
44	160 85	193	200 00	247	51 50	292	100 00
54	300 00	197	600 00	250	50 00	293	1000 00
57	51 50	200	120 00	251	56 00	294	330 00
58	96 92	201	204 00	252	1272 00	295	129 30
64	100 00	202	153 00	254	100 00	296	2053 22
70	400 00	203	180 00	256	400 00	297	1358 62
89	1667 00	204	600 00	257	550 00	298	1000 00
97	500 00	206	216 16	258	83 90	299	375 00
106	300 00	208	152 59	261	750 00	301	300 00
116	500 00	209	204 00	263	112 00	302	300 00
117	200 00	211	100 00	264	150 00	303	300 00
124	200 00	212	123 93	268	110 16	304	805 00
136	166 40	213	262 48	269	100 47	305	165 00
155	1272 00	216	225 00	271	500 00	306	400 00
160	214 85	217	126 32	272	60 00	307	400 00
164	400 00	219	300 00	273	100 00	308	3500 00
166	200 00	220	500 00	275	300 00	309	250 00
167	505 80	223	600 00	276	169 42	310	100 00
168	400 00	224	500 00	277	810 84	311	1000 00
169	600 00	226	500 00	278	1000 00		
							48,629 05

Orders drawn for Expenses of Poor at the Farm.

7	J. A. Herrick, bill of goods,	$13 68
16	Geo S. Hunt, 1 barrel molasses,	18 88
17	W. & C. R. Milliken, 1 barrel pork,	33 50
22	Ivory Berry, 1 turkey,	2 50
24	F. Waterhouse, bill of goods,	78 69
32	I. Berry, "	18 81
43	John Morrison, labor on farm haying,	11 25
46 & 47	Ivory Berry, salary in part,	112 50
63	Thomas Buckminster, coffin and robe for the late Polly Hunnewell,	10 50
65	J. B. Shurman, boots for A. Harmon,	4 50
66	I. P. Farrington, clothing "	10 85
68	F. Waterhouse, bill of goods,	73 33
70	Ivory Berry, sundry bills for poor,	27 30
75	Carter and Scamman, salt grass,	15 00
92	Ivory Berry, salary in part,	37 47
96	S. A. Nash, medical attendance at farm,	5 25
114	Robert F. Harmon, blacksmith's bill,	4 75
		$478 76

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By cash paid into the Treasury for produce sold from farm,	$184 47
By hauling lumber,	8 00
By labor on highways,	14 00
	$207 47
Cost of supporting poor at Alms House above income of farm,	$272 29

Bills Paid the present year contracted prior to March, 1870.

1	Granville McKenney, S. S. Committee, 1869,	$22 00
4	Seth Scamman, as Committee to investigate Town Books and Auditor of Accounts, 1869,	11 00
6	Richard Leavitt, as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor, 1869,	143 00
8	Ivory Berry, services in full to April 27, 1870,	91 12
9	John L. Hodgdon, services before the Equalization Commission, 1869,	100 00
11	Horatio Hight, services and expenses to Augusta, same, 1869,	14 00
12	Joseph Sturdivant, M. D., medical services for poor, 1869,	44 00
13	Cyrus F. Moulton, services as Treasurer, 1869,	50 00
14	Francis Emmans, attendance and travel, Richard's case,	9 00
15	Granville McKenney, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor, in full, 1869,	145 00

18	Kennebunk, supplies and medical attendance furnished Mrs. Mary E. Coolbroth,	55 78
19	Charles Rounds, taking care Town House to 1870,	6 00
27	Sumner Libby, tin ware furnished in 1867–'68,	8 06
34	Henry G. Storer, services as S. S. Com. 169,	13 00
42	Johnson Libby, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor, in full, 1869,	150 00
48	Freedom Milliken, Breaking out Blue Point Road, 1869,	2 50
51	Samuel Belcher, services as attorney in case of Moody children, Farmington, 1865,	38 25
60	Moses Lowell, bill of hardware, 1868,	7 40
62	Charles Tibbetts, for building new road, in full,	50 00
64	Elwell, Pickard & Co., printing Town Report,	25 00
80	Moses Chapman, error on tax, 1867,	5 03
83	Robert McLaughlin, stone for culvert, 1868,	2 00
100	S. L. Waterhouse, services as S. S. Committee, 1869,	41 30
102	S. L. Waterhouse, abatement on tax bills, 1867,	370 89
103	S. L. Waterhouse, commissions for collecting bills, 1867,	300 82
105	S. L. Waterhouse, error in taxes for 1869–'70	6 00
106	J. Libby, commissions in full on tax bills, 1866,	4 75
112	Johnson Libby, error in footing of tax bills, 1866,	10 00
113	Howard & Cleaves, settling execution Daniel M. Richards v. Inhabitants of Scarboro,	161 57
115	S. Watson, sawing lumber in 1869,	3 39
		$1,890 86

For Roads and Bridges.

140	Hugh Milliken, Labor on Scottow's Hill road,	$16 00
149	Henry S. Jones, repairs on road in Dist No. 5,	3 00
29	Jesse R. Newcomb, repairs on Bridge in Dist No. 2,	12 00
56	Charles Libby, repairs on road in Dist No. 6,	8 75
61	Joseph Hobson, hemlock plank,	54 58
69	Johnson Libby, repairs on sand hill, Paine Road,	42 75
71	Johnson Libby, labor and materials repairing bridge across Nonesuch River, on Paine Road,	49 25
76	Isiah P. Milliken, stringers for bridge near Thomas Seavey's	16 00
81	Leonard Libby, labor on road, Scottow's Hill,	12 25
84	Barney Wood, labor on road, Scottow's Hill,	7 44
88	J. O. A. Harmon, hemlock plank,	21 96
128	Seth Scamman, freight on planks and labor on highway,	9 10
126	Hugh Milliken, labor on Scottow's Hill,	69 39
127	E. S. Walcott, " "	6 13
107	Daniel Carter, labor on Jose Hill,	5 00
118	Daniel Moulton, bridge plank,	4 25
		$337 85

Contingent.

20	John A. Milliken, services in part as Town Clerk,	$12 50
35	S. L. Waterhouse, insurance on Farm buildings,	22 50
52	Hoyt & Fogg, books and stationery,	20 84
53	Isaac D. Boothby, one large plow,	5 00
73	Seth Scamman, mowing machine,	110 00
74	Seth Scamman, services in part as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor,	40 00
86	John A. Milliken, services in full as Town Clerk,	12 00
101	S. L. Waterhouse, services as S. S. Committee,	40 00
104	Seth Scamman, expenses to Etna and freight bills,	43 15
108	Granville McKenney, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor, in full,	75 00
109	Granville McKenney, services as S. S. Committee,	25 00
110	Johnson Libby, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor, in full,	100 30
111	Seth Scamman, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor, in full,	32 00
119	Cyrus F. Moulton, services as Treasurer and printing,	41 50
120	Hugh D. McLellan, surveying line between Buxton and Scarboro, and Scarboro and Gorham,	8 17
124	Richard Leavitt, services as Town Agent,	3 75
129	Cyrus F. Moulton, discount on taxes paid before the 1st day of January, 1871,	593 71
		$1,185 42

Schools.

2	Phineas Foss, for wood, repairs and insurance, Dist. No. 2,	$25 25
3	L. T. Oliver, for wood in District No. 4,	24 4[illegible]
5	Seth Scamman, for board of teacher, repairs and furniture in District No. 5,	58 67
10	Seth Scamman, insurance District No. 5,	15 0[illegible]
21	Henry Thurston, building privy District No. 10,	19 5[illegible]
25	Mary J. Wiggin, teaching school in District No. 6,	55 0[illegible]
26	Hattie H. Carter, " " " " 10,	54 0[illegible]
28	Fannie O. McKenney, " " " 13,	57 0[illegible]
30	George B. Tripp, repairs on School house, No. 13,	5 6[illegible]
31	Lizzie Ginn, teaching in District No. 5,	60 0[illegible]
33	L. M. Griggs, " " " 2,	78 0[illegible]
36	Annie E. Potter, teaching in District No. 7,	55 0[illegible]
37	William Fogg, wood for District No. 1,	5 0[illegible]
38	S. L. Waterhouse, insurance on school house in District 2,	11 [illegible]
39	S. L. Waterhouse, " " " " 13,	3 [illegible]
40	Ella F. Durgin, teaching school in District No. 1,	40 [illegible]
41	Samuel Durgin, boarding teacher District No. 5,	36 [illegible]
44	Lucy E. Seavey, teaching school " 4,	60 [illegible]

45	John Hearn, teaching school in District No. 1,	$40 00
49	M. A. Pillsbury, " " " 11,	78 00
54	Olive F. Perry, " " " 3,	55 00
55	M. A. Pillsbury, " " " 1,	24 00
56	Ellen Parker, " " " 3,	8 00
58	Johnson Libby, repairs in " " 3,	6 50
59	Stephen Sewell, wood for " " 5,	6 87
72	Geo. H. Boothby, teaching " " 5,	135 00
77	Hattie H. Carter, " " " 10,	86 00
78	Charles Wiggin, wood for " " 2,	15 75
79	Wilson Nevins, teaching " " 2,	112 50
82	Robert McLaughlin, " " " 6,	136 00
85	M. A. Pillsbury, " " " 3,	40 00
87	Fannie O. McKenney," " " 13,	72 00
89	John Hearn, " " " 7,	110 00
90	James Storey, wood for " " 7,	12 50
91	S. L. Waterhouse, insurance school house in Dist. 6,	9 85
93	Johnson Libby, boarding teacher, District 3,	32 00
97	Seth Scamman, repairs and wood, District 5,	7 73
98	Dexter Libby, wood for District No. 3,	24 75
99	Arthur J. Fogg, wood for Union District,	12 00
146	Ella B. Loring, teaching school for District No. 11,	81 25
117	Alvan B. Larrabee, boarding teacher District No. 11,	39 00
121	Richard Leavitt, wood for District No. 4,	14 50
122	Richard Leavitt, boarding teacher District No. 4,	40 50
123	Mary J. Wiggin, teaching school District No. 4,	90 00
125	Hugh Milliken, wood and repairs District No. 6,	16 40
		$1,969 90

Amount Paid Elisha Newcomb

On account of the property the Town has had of him.

23	F. Waterhouse, goods furnished E. Newcomb,	42 00
50	Isaac C. Baker, wood " "	6 00
67	F. Waterhouse, goods " "	13 48
94	Lewis N. Allen, medical attendance for Mrs. E. Newcomb,	16 00
95	Cash paid E. Newcomb,	25 00
		$102 48
	Previously paid E. Newcomb,	230 00

In 1868, E. Newcomb applied to the town of Etna, where he then lived, for assistance, and Etna notified Scarboro. Mr. F. Milliken went to Etna to see to it, and arranged with Mr. Newcomb by taking a deed of his real estate in Etna, and a bill of sale of some personal property, obligating the town to maintain him and his wife during their natural life. In June last we received a proposition for the purchase of the real

estate for $300, which we agreed to. On investigation it was decided that the town had no legal title to it. But Mr. Newcomb, having received $302 48 of the town, was willing to give the town a good title of the real estate for the amount he had received and take $132 for the horse, harness and wagon, which he brought to Scarboro with him, and was put on to the farm. The Selectmen have settled with Mr. Newcomb by taking the deed and allowing him $132 for the personal property, $42 of which is paid, and the balance, $89, is included in outstanding bills.

Towards the payment of the farm the town has received 2 cows, 2 yearlings, 1 two year and 1 one year old colt, for $225.

Expenditures.

Expenses of Poor at Farm, above income,	$ 272 29
Paid Elisha Newcomb,	102 48
Bills paid the present year, contracted previous to 1870,	1,890 86
" Roads and Bridges,	339 85
Contingent,	1,185 42
Bills paid for School,	1,969 90
Cash paid inhabitants of strip set off to Gorham,	412 46
	$6,173 26

Liabllities.

Outstanding Notes,	48,629 05
" Orders,	1,051 42
Estimated interest now due,	1,200 00
Balance due School District,	347 94
Outstanding demands estimated at	175 00
Due inhabitants of strip set off to Gorham (uncalled for),	14 48
Total liabilities,	$51,417 89

Availabilities.

Due on Tax Bills of S. L. Waterhouse, 1868,	$1,504 24
" " C. F. Moulton, 1869,	700 00
" " C. F. Moulton, 1870,	8,222 73
" Notes and interest of Geo. E. Gillman, about	66 00
" Newcomb property,	74 00
Balance in Treasury,	7,683 86
	18,250 83
Liabilities of Town, less resources,	$33,167 06

Valuation.

Total valuation of Town,	721,616 00
No. of Polls,	383
State Tax,	4,238 47
County Tax,	1,064 73
Money raised for school,	2,000 00
" " roads,	300 00
" " Poor and Contingent,	2,500 00
" " Town debts,	5,000 00
Overlay on assessments,	284 73
Tax 2 per cent. upon a dollar,	
Amount drawn by each scholar,	3 39

We have settled with the Treasurer, C. F. Moulton, and report as follows:—

Balance in Treasury March 3, 1870,	$372 13
Received of Johnson Libby on tax bills, 1866,	186 43
" S. L. Waterhouse, " 1867,	1,094 56
" S. L. Waterhouse, " 1868,	3,728 23
" C. F. Moulton, " 1869,	545 09
" C. F. Moulton, " 1870,	2,120 00
" S. L. Waterhouse, interest on taxes, 1867,	13 32
" School fund of 1869,	47 97
" " " 1870,	50 56
" Proceeds of Town Farm sold,	184 47
" From notes issued by Treasurer,	16,466 14
" For rent of land at clay pits,	5 75
" On E. Newcomb property,	1 00
" For State Bonds,	10,533 33
" For interest on State Bonds,	630 00
" On George E. Gilman's Notes,	45 00
	$36,013 98
He has paid out as per vouchers,	28,330 12
Leaving a balance in the Treasury March 4, 1871,	7,683 86

Inventory

of Stock and other personal property on the Town Farm,	2,800 00
Clay Pits,	100 00
1 yoke of Oxen,	180 80
6 Cows, $270; 3 yearlings, $60; 1 horse, $50,	380 00
1 two year old colt, $85; 1 year old colt, $50;	135 00
5 sheep, $25; 1 shoat, $15,	40 00
8 tons hay, $160; salt hay and stalks, $35,	195 00
1 Mowing machine, $100; 1 horse rake, $22,	122 00
Yokes and Bows, Rings and Staples,	4 00
1 Harrow, $5.00; Wagon, $25,	30 00
Harness, $5.00; Rakes and Pitchforks, $3,	8 00
1 Cart, Wheel and Rack,	30 00

2 Ploughs, $15; shovels and dung-forks, $3,	18 00
3 hoes, $1; ox chains, $3; 1 grind-stone, $4,	8 00
4 bushels yellow-eyed beans,	10 00
2 1-2 bushels colored Beans, $5; 2 bushels Peas, $4,	9 00
12 " shelled corn, $12; 1-2 bbl Flour, $4,	16 00
6 " meal, $6; 1-2 bbl pork, $12,	18 00
8 galls Molasses, $4; 1 bbl. Cider, $4,	8 00
100 bushels Potatoes, $75; 10 bushels Beets and Turnips, $7.50	82 50
Household furniture,	200 00
	$4,393 50

It should be observed that the commissions and abatements, which will probably be about $500, are included in Mr. Waterhouse's bills of 1868, and about the same amount in Capt. Moulton's of 1870, which will decrease the amount by so much to be paid into the Treasury.

The latter part of January last the Bonds from the State were converted into money at par, and the Treasurer has been paying notes with it, as fast as they could be obtained.

By an act of the Legislature of 1870, Scarboro was required to pay to the inhabitants of the strip set off to Gorham, their proportional part, pro rata, of the Bonds awarded to Scarboro, which amounted to $426.94.—$412.46 have been paid, and the balance, $14.48, remains in the Treasury uncalled for.

One year ago we owed the State and County tax of 1869. That, and the State and County tax of 1870, are all paid up. Then we had a large amount of outstanding bills. These have been paid, together with all current expenses of the year, except about $175. The town debt has been reduced about $4,000.

A suit has been commenced against the town by Alvan B. Jose to recover damages for injury to two horses, occasioned by defect in the highway, as alleged.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHNSON LIBBY,
SETH SCAMMAN,
GRANVILLE McKENNEY, } Selectmen of Scarboro.

Scarboro, March 4, 1871.

Auditor's Certificate.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Report of the Selectmen contains a full and accurate statement of all outstanding Town notes, as appears by the Note Book—also of all Town Orders and bills. For each item they have exhibited satisfactory vouchers.

HORATIO HIGHT, Auditor.

Scarboro, March 4, 1871.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Superintending School Committee.

During the past year our responsibilities have been painfully increased by the law that threw the selection and engagement of teachers into the hands of Superintending Committees. In making such engagements, in every case we have consulted and followed the wishes of the several Districts, so far as we could ascertain them, and when the Districts expressed no choice, we have made the best selections we could from the materials within our reach. When our stock of tried and approved teachers was exhausted, we applied to the County Supervisor of Common Schools as our most hopeful source of supply, and he promptly furnished us with the number needed. Of these some have won our highest respect and warmest attachment, while others have decidedly disappointed our hopes and expectations.

A law of the State just enacted authorizes the town, by a special vote, to release the Committee from this burden, and committing the engagement of teachers once more to the hands of the District Agents, in which change we shall joyfully concur.

Our school houses—with two exceptions—are respectable and convenient; our list of text-books is as uniform as we have been able to make it, and we do not think that any change is required. The wages of our teachers have been generally as high as the Districts could afford, and perhaps the thing that we need most is a little more patience and moderation in the demands we make of those who teach our common schools. So long as other and larger towns have more attractive school houses, pay higher wages, and engage for longer terms than we can, they will of course command in most cases the best teachers, and we must submit to it.

Under an ordinary teacher, however, it is still possible to secure an excellent education, when the pupils are inclined to make the most of

their opportunities, and are not encouraged by their parents in exchanging the position of learners for that of critics and fault-finders. We are persuaded that an improvement in this last respect would afford a happy relief from much trouble, and result in other solid advantages in many sections of our town.

BEACH HILL, DISTRICT No. 1.

SUMMER TERM.

Mr. John Hearn, Teacher, for five weeks, and then succeeded by Miss Ella F. Durgin. As the result of unhappy divisions existing in this District, and an astonishing lack of interest in the education of the young, it has been impossible during the last two years, to collect votes enough at any District meeting to effect an organization for the choice of officers. The school-house has been lawlessly entered and mutilated; there has been a decided tendency to insubordination on the part of some of the pupils; the attendance is lamentably small, and an entire revolution of this state of affairs is greatly to be desired.

In the face of such difficulties, it would be unjust to expect any teacher to exhibit here a model school. Yet in the midst of these difficulties we have found a few pupils whose intelligence, ardor in study, and rapid progress, has been surpassed in no other school in the town; and we earnestly hope that the entire District may determine during the coming year, to recover its lost ground and move again to the front.

Whole number of scholars, 30.
" " attending school, 15.
Average attendance, 10.

BLACK POINT, DISTRICT No. 2.

SUMMER TERM.

Miss Lizzie M. Griggs, Teacher. Whole number attending school 38; average number, 25. An exceedingly pleasant school, characterized by good order, marked interest and improvement in the studies pursued, and a warm mutual attachment between the teacher and her pupils.

WINTER TERM.

Mr. Wilson Nevens, Teacher. Mr. Nevens came well recommended; his pupils were regular in their attendance and ought to have made good improvement; but there was not that enthusiasm we like to see on the part of either. Decided improvement was not made. We report only an average school.

Whole number of scholars, 69.
" " attending school, 45.
Average number, 39.

No. 3, LIBBY DISTRICT.

SUMMER TERM.

Miss Olive F. Perry, Teacher. Whole number of scholars in District, 45; whole number attending, 25; average, 20. Miss Perry has been a long tried and very successful teacher; and here she most admirably maintained her reputation as such. Her school was well governed, well taught, and the improvement made highly commendable to both teacher and scholars.

WINTER TERM.

Miss Martha A. Pillsbury, Teacher. Miss Pillsbury taught here with her usual good success. She is mild and easy in governing, clear in her communications, and faithful in the discharge of her duty. Her scholars were studious and attentive, and their advancement fully satisfactory to all concerned.

No. 4, BLUE POINT.

SUMMER TERM.

Miss Lucy C. Seavey, Teacher. This was quite a pleasant, and we believe, a profitable school. Miss Seavey succeeded in maintaining good order, without a single cause of punishment during the term.

WINTER TERM.

Miss Mary Wiggen, Teacher. It appeared at the commencement the teacher had determined to do her best, and the closing examination showed she had succeeded. We were particularly pleased with her manner of teaching Grammar.

No. 5, DUNSTON.

SUMMER TERM.

Miss Ginn, Teacher. Whole number of scholars, 75; whole number attending, 40; average, 25. Miss Ginn came recommended by our County Supervisor as thoroughly qualified, as an instructress apt to teach. At our first visit her school appeared very well, with an attendance of 40 scholars. The closing examination gave evidence that the school had been well instructed, and yet the progress made did not fully meet our expectations.

WINTER TERM.

Mr. George Boothby, Teacher. This school was well commenced, faithfully governed and thoroughly instructed. At the closing examination it showed a marked improvement. The scholars were orderly, respectful, and prompt. The recitations were all good. All distinguished

WINTER TERM.

Laura M. Johnson, Teacher. Now in session. We consider the town fortunate in the acquisition of such a teacher from abroad, and earnestly wish she may long be retained.

NO. 6, SCOTTOWS HILL.

Martha A. Pillsbury, Teacher. Whole No. of scholars in district, 58; whole number attending, 35; average, 25. In a very brief term this school exhibited a very marked improvement in the manners of the pupils as well as in their regular studies.

WINTER TERM.

E. B. Yeoman, Teacher. Whole number attending, 40; average, 26. This was Mr. Yeoman's first attempt at teaching, and both the district and himself have every reason to be satisfied with his success.

NO. 7, BEECH RIDGE—SUMMER TERM.

Emma Hatch, Teacher. Whole number of scholars in district, 57; whole number attending, 35; average, 22. An average school satisfactory to the district.

WINTER TERM.

John Hern, Teacher. Whole number attending, 30; average, 25. The government good, the school well taught, and it gave universal satisfaction.

NO. 18, BROAD TURN—SUMMER TERM.

Mary E. Leavitt, Teacher. Whole number of scholars, 50; whole number attending, 30; average, 23. At the closing examination the classes made a very creditable appearance, and it is believed that they made good progress in their studies.

FALL TERM.

Oliver Pillsbury, Teacher. Whole number attending, 35; average, 25. The term was brief; the teacher seemed interested; the school well governed, and yet the progress made did not fully meet our expectations.

NO. 11, OAK HILL—SUMMER TERM.

Jennie Procter, Teacher. Whole number of scholars in district, 78; whole number attending, 42; average number, 30. At the commencement of this school there was some little dissatisfaction, and a part of the scholars withdrew. But the progress made by those who remained was very satisfactory.

FALL TERM.

Whole number attending, 43; average, 31. This term was taught four weeks by Miss Martha A. Pillsbury, with her usual success, and was succeeded by Mr. Augustus F. Moulton, who made the school pleasant and profitable to his pupils.